

Nestucca Valley School District

Board of Director's Meeting

Minutes-April 12, 2020

OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION

Director Carver called the Public Session to order at 6:31 pm following the budget committee meeting. Director Carver led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance:

- X - Annis Leslie (via zoom)
- X - Emily Hurliman (via zoom)
- X - Diane Boisa
- X- Bill Hagerty
- X - Evan Carver
- X - Misty Wharton, Superintendent
- X - Ken Richwine, JSHS Principal
- X- Megan Kellow, Student Services Director
- X- Chad Holloway, Elementary Principal
- X – Diane Wilkinson, NVELC Director

Patron, Students and Staff: Tevin Gianella, Sharman Ensminger, Kathleen Serven, Danny Maddox

Approval of Agenda-April 12, 2021

MOTION: Diane Boisa 2nd: Bill Hagerty **AYES:** 5 **NOES:** 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

COMMUNITY/SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

- Student Body Report: Danny Maddox (Student Body President) provides updates. He reports that wearing masks at school has been “weird,” but everyone is happy to be back in the buildings. The Student Council is planning a meeting (hopefully this week). The Student Council would also like to do some morale boosters and would like to plan a “spirit week.” Finally, Danny mentions that there has been some parental concerns that screen time has increased since returning to Hybrid with longer days for students that are in CDL on A or B days.
- School Presentation: Sharman Ensminger (Elementary Counselor/504 coordinator) presents a new opportunity for students via a program entitled, “The Diverse Educators Pathways Grow Your Own Connectors.” This program is via NWRESA. Their mission statement: Diverse Educator Pathways is designed to fill critical shortages of bilingual and/or culturally competent teachers in the county through an innovative and collaborative “grow your own” program in collaboration with Washington County & Tillamook County School districts, Northwest Regional Education Service District, regional universities, and regional community colleges. Participants agree to interview and

return to their home district upon successful completion of their licensure program. Sharman and the rest of the counseling team will support this program within the Nestucca Valley School District. The team hopes to, “nurture and cultivate the talent we have locally.” More updates to come.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Community Member, April Bailey, expressed concerns regarding several policies that the Board would be voting to adopt. She specifically cited Policy ACB, ACB-AR, IJ, JB, JBCM and IJ. She asked the board to submit these policies to the Policy Committee for review before adopting them.

CONSENT AGENDA-Consolidated Motion

- Board Minutes from March 8, 2021
- March 2021 Financial Report
- Ratification of Employment
- Quarterly Financial Statement of Assurances
- Second Reading of Policy

PROPOSED ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS

ACB
ACB-AR
BBB
GCBDA/GDBDA-AR(1)
GCBDA/GDBDA-AR(2)
GCBDA/GDBDA-AR(4)
GCBDA/GDBDA-AR(1)
GCPC/GDPC
IJ
IKFB
JB
JHH
JFCM

PROPOSED DELETIONS

LBE-AR
IJ
GCPC/GDPC

MOTION: Bill Hagerty 2nd: Diane Boisa AYES: 5 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

ACTION DISCUSSION

- None

INFORMATION/DIRECTOR QUESTIONS

- Administration Reports

1. Chad Holloway-Elementary Principal

- Discusses PreK and the value of developing our relationship with the preschool. He reports that students that attend NVELC are better prepared for Kindergarten.
- Updates regarding pick-up and drop off procedures at the Elementary.
- Reports that the district has started to look into interviewing and hiring a professional cleaning company. The District has struggled to find and retain custodians. Due to the additional space that needs to be cleaned (Covid 19 adding additional cleaning requirements, as well as NVELC and the increased size of the Elementary building); Mr. Holloway believes this is a good solution.
- Reports that Kerrin Swanson (school nurse) is creating training opportunities for staff to align student health and well-being.
- Discusses training and preparation of the staff for the students to return on March 30th for Hybrid. Lots of excitement for their return!
- Talks about the playground and recess rules related to COVID 19.
- The maintenance department (Logan Kellow and Bill Wilkinson) have been working hard to prepare the fields for baseball and softball. The fields look great. Mr. Holloway also gave a shout out to Ron Kellow for volunteering his time to help get the fields ready for the spring sports season.

2. Ken Richwine-Junior Senior High Principal

- Just finished fall sports on April 2nd and will start spring sports on April 5th. The volleyball team participated in District Playoffs on April 6th.
- Discusses staff and building preparation for students returning on the March 30th. Mr. Richwine reports that everyone is adapting to the changes pretty well and he is happy to see the positivity coming from the students since they have returned.
- As mentioned, baseball, softball and track seasons are starting. Spectators will be allowed to be present during games/meets on a trial basis. All spectators will be required to wear masks, socially distance, keep separated from competitors and use designated restrooms, entrances and exits.
- Reports that the Junior-Senior High will be welcoming a guest speaker, Brian Wilson, to speak on kindness and resilience. This is part of our 9th grade Student Success Team planned activities. Mr. Wilson will present to all students virtually. The 9GS team is also continuing virtual "hangouts" and an afterschool study hall.

3. Diane Wilkinson, NVELC Director

- Reports that things are going well and the students are playing outside with the focus being on social emotional health.
- Continuing to offer zoom and packets to students. Parents have been kind, patient and very careful about possible illnesses.
- Reports that she, and school nurse Kerrin Swanson, are working on a plan for students that are asymptomatic.
- Discusses Grant work around family engagement (Ready K) and dual language programs.
- April 14th is registration day for the '21-'22 school year.
- Reports that the NVELC feels supported and is happy to be a part of the team!

4. Megan Kellow, Student Service Director

- Updates Federal Programs Audit progress.
- Updates special education testing and evaluations process for the remainder of the '20-'21 school year.
- Updates ODE collections submittals.
- Gives shout outs to SPED team for their flexibility and hard work.

5. Misty Wharton, Superintendent

- Reports that finally having our students back in the buildings and seeing them is the true "joy of the job." She also mentions that our 6th grade students did an impressive essay assignment about their experiences and feeling about the last year and finally being back in Hybrid. She plans to get copies of those essays to the Board Members.
- Tillamook county is now considered, "high risk." Many variables may have caused this. It should be noted that if the metrics had not been recently updated, out county numbers would have caused our high school to shut down and return to full time CDL. Due to this, our job now is make sure every effort is being put in to mitigate the risk for our students and staff.
- Acknowledges that there are some schools that have opened their buildings to students five days per week. Transportation, and the requirements to safely transport students, continues to be a very big challenge for our district.

-Bond updates:

1. The District Office is now out of the TBCC building and into the permanent offices at the K-8.
2. Floor in original elementary gym has been sanded and is ready to paint.
3. The Kitchen floor and appliances are installed.

4. Looking forward, the new focus will be on developing the back fields behind the K-8. Plans still need to be developed. More to come in the future.

- Budget meeting next week.

- Summer school discussion

- Graduation-Misty and Ken will be focusing on that.

- Radon Testing

- Mr. Holloway gives updates regarding this mandated testing. In January, testing indicated elevated levels of Radon in the “old” shop by the Junior-Senior High. Discussion regarding possible new shop project to mitigate this.

- Board of Directors Update

None

FURTHER BUSINESS

Having no further business, Director Carver adjourned the meeting at 7:26 pm.